

## **Summary of Near-term Action Items for SEPA IWG Identified During June 13 “Drafting Team” Calls (Draft 6/17/08)**

### **Near-Term Decisions for SEPA IWG to Make**

1. What aspects/characteristics of projects and non-projects need to be measured and disclosed for measuring a) climate change impacts from a proposal and b) impacts arising from the combination of a proposal's impacts and its vulnerabilities to predicted climate change impacts?
2. What types of projects and non-projects are subject to measurement and disclosure under SEPA (versus being exempt)?
3. What will be the approach for threshold determination, including the determination of “significance”?

### **Near-Term Information to Collect and Share**

1. What tools are available for calculating GHG emissions?
2. What tools and resources are available for understanding how the climate is likely to change in Washington State and affect projects/non-projects? (e.g., work of PAWGs, ESA-related analysis; Critical Areas analysis, UW, etc.)
3. What mitigation strategies are other states/local governments considering appropriate and acceptable for projects and non-projects? How are they determining the effectiveness of these strategies?
4. What are states/local governments doing to provide incentives through SEPA or SEPA-like programs to encourage “climate friendly” projects and non-projects?

### **Near-Term Products**

1. Straw proposal/framework document on incentives and disincentives for “leveraging SEPA” (Bucket #3). This document would address the questions (and related sub-questions in the Bucket #3 workplan): “What incentives, if any, should be used and how should they be designed?” and “What exceptions, if any, are needed?” The document would cover:
  - Projects and non-projects;
  - GHG emissions impacts only; and
  - The full range of incentives and disincentives, including exemptions, etc.

### **Additional Useful Information to Share with the Group**

1. What are the Washington State goals for greenhouse gas reductions?
2. What is going on in the transportation and GMA groups that affect the SEPA IWG?
3. Information on the CTED “impact and evaluation” model for analyzing non-project impacts (Note: Tim Trohimovich posted information to the Bucket #3 Sharepoint workspace).
4. What is the breakout of projects and non-projects typically considered under SEPA? Also, how do these break out in terms of exemptions, determination of significance, etc.?